HOUSE BILL 3219

By Hawk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6 and Title 7, relative to the provision of electricity.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 54, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

6-54-1__. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, an employee of any company, entity or municipality which provides electricity is authorized to cut trees or limbs which affect or could affect the electric power lines. While the employee is not required to obtain the permission of any property owner prior to trimming or cutting the trees or limbs, it is the intent of the general assembly that the employee make an effort to notify the owner of the property when such activity will occur. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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